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FROM USREP ICAO

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PORG, EAIR, ICAO
SUBJECT: ICAO COUNCIL DISCUSSION OF 32ND UNGA RESOLUTIONS

REF: STATE 73240

1. PRESIDENT KOTAITE TODAY (MARCH 22), IN EFFORT TO REACH
CONSENSUS ON HOW TO HANDLE CWP 6704, TABLED
FOLLOWING TEXT FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION. QUOTE: THE COUNCIL
AGREES THAT THE SECRETARY GENERAL BE DIRECTED TO REPLY TO THE
SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS THAT THE COUNCIL
REAFFIRMS ITS READINESS WITHIN THE LIMITS OF ITS
CONSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES TO ACT POSITIVELY TOWARDS THE
OBJECTIVES OF THE UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTIONS. UNQUOTE

2. REPS OF US, UK, CANADA, FRANCE, FRG, JAPAN, AUSTRALIA, AND
FINLAND MET AFTER COUNCIL ADJOURNMENT IN US MISSION OFFICE TO
DEVELOP COMMON POSITION FOR MARCH 23 COUNCIL SESSION WHICH WILL
RESUME CONSIDERATION OF CWP 6704. WHILE NOT ENTHUSIASTIC OVER
ABOVE TEXT, CONSENSUS OF REPS WAS THAT IT WOULD AT LEAST, IF
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ACCEPTED, TERMINATE DEBATE ON THESE POLITICAL RESOLUTIONS
WHICH HAVE NO PLACE IN ICAO. AGREEMENT TO SUPPORT KOTAITE'S
TEXT WOULD BE CONDITIONED ON UNDERSTANDING THAT IT WOULD BE
ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS, AND THAT COUNCIL MEMBERS
COULD RESERVE AND MAKE EXPLANATORY REMARKS AFTERWARD.

3. USREP STATED THAT WE WOULD SEEK INSTRUCTIONS.

4. FRENCH REP EMPHATICALLY LED DISCUSSION IN WHICH
OTHER REPS STRONGLY AGREED THAT PARA 7 SHOULD NOT BE SINGLED
OUT AND THAT IF DEBATE IS ENTERED INTO, ICAO POSITION AS AN
ORGANIZATION WOULD BE DAMAGED FOR MANY MONTHS TO COME.

5. IF USREP SUPPORTS UK OR OTHER CONSENSUS AMENDMENTS
AND THEY FAIL, USREP TO THEN FOCUS ATTENTION ON PARA 7
PROVOKING BITTER DEBATE WOULD BE IN A MOST AWKWARD POSITION.

6. VIEW OF ISRAELI OBSERVER IS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME, BUT HE
WILL PROBABLY HAVE PROBLEMS WITH SOME OF THE WORDING. SINCE,
THEREFORE, WORDING IN PARA 2 OF STATE 73240 WILL
PROBABLY NOT PERTAIN, REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS ON WHETHER WE CAN
ACCEPT ABOVE TEXT. IF ABOVE TEXT ACCEPTABLE, WE WILL
TRY AND PERSUADE ISRAELI OBSERVER TO GO ALONG.
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